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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Jean-Louis Excoffier

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Title: METHOD-AND SYSTEM FOR
CLASSIFYING CHROMATOGRAMS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the office action of September 11, 2002, Applicant hereby elects claims 1-29 and 43 drawn to a method, system and computer usable medium for classifying chromatograms for examination. Applicants' election is made without prejudice.

It is respectfully requested to examine claims 1-29 and 43 on the merit.

Respectfully submitted,

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